



Colonel Kenneth L. Reiner

Chief of the Joint Staff
Wyoming National Guard

Col. Luke Reiner serves as the Chief of the Joint Staff at the Wyoming National Guard Joint Force Headquarters. He is responsible to oversee the planning, training and execution of all National Guard Military Support to Civilian Authorities within Wyoming and to direct the various multi-service agencies of the Wyoming National Guard.

Col. Reiner began his military career as an enlisted soldier in the Nebraska Army National Guard in 1982. After receiving his commission from the University of Nebraska's ROTC program in December of 1986, he transferred to the Wyoming Army National Guard where he served in various field artillery positions as a traditional Guard Soldier until his entry into the Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) program in 1991.

His initial AGR tour was as the property book officer for 3rd Battalion, 49th Field Artillery Regiment. Follow on AGR tours included: battalion and brigade administration officer, battalion and brigade training officer, plans and operations officer for the 4th Infantry Division's Rear Operations Center, deputy chief of staff for operations – training, recruiting and retention manager and the joint operations, plans and training officer.

Col. Reiner served as commander, Camp New York, Kuwait, during Operation Iraqi Freedom II. He most recently commanded the Wyoming Army National Guard's 115th Fires Brigade, during which time he was instrumental in the unit's successful transformation to a new modular design. He also served as the chair of the National Guard Field Artillerymen Advisory Committee.

Col. Reiner is an active member of several National Guard Associations. He is a graduate of the Leadership Wyoming Program, and an active member of the Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce and the Cheyenne Kiwanis Club. He is also active in his church. He and his wife live in Cheyenne with their two daughters.

EDUCATION:

2009 Advanced Joint Military Professional Education, Joint Staff College

2005 U.S. Army War College

2005 Master's in Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College

2001 Command and General Staff College

1999 Master's of Public Administration, University of Wyoming

1994 CAS3, Fitzsimmons/Camp Guernsey

1993 Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma

1987 Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma

1986 Airborne School, Fort Benning

1986 Bachelor of Arts, business/accounting, Concordia Teachers College
1986 Bachelor of Science, secondary education, Concordia Teachers College
1984 Personnel Administration, Fort Benjamina Harrison

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. October 1982 – December 1986, enlisted soldier, Nebraska Army National Guard
2. January 1987 – September 1987, Counter Fire Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
3. October 1987 – July 1988, Battery Fire Direction Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
4. August 1988 – November 1988, Liaison Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
5. December 1988 – July 1990, Battalion Forward Support Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
6. August 1990- June 1992, Battery Executive Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
7. July 1992 – June 1994, Battalion Logistics Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
8. July 1994 – September 1996, Battery Commander, Wyoming Army National Guard
9. October 1996 – May 1998, Liaison Officer/4th Infantry Division Rear Operations Center, Wyoming Army National Guard
10. June 1998 – August 2000, Operations Officer, 115th Field Artillery Brigade, Wyoming Army National Guard
11. October 2000 – February 2001, 115th Field Artillery Brigade Logistics Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
12. March 2001 – June 2002, Executive Officer, 2nd Battalion 300th Field Artillery, Wyoming Army National Guard
13. July 2002 – May 2004, Executive Officer, 115th Field Artillery, Wyoming Army National Guard
14. January 2004 – June 2004, Commander, Camp New York, Kuwait
15. July 2004 – June 2005, Student, Army War College
16. July 2005 – November 2005, Deputy Commander, 115th Field Artillery Brigade, Wyoming Army National Guard
17. December 2005 – April 2008, Commander, 115th Field Artillery Brigade, Wyoming Army National Guard
18. April 2008 – June 2009, Joint Operations Officer, Wyoming Army National Guard
19. July 2009 – Present, Chief of the Joint Staff, Wyoming Army National Guard

Decorations:

Legion of Merit
Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters)
Army Commendation Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters)
Air Commendation Medal
Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters)
Air Force Achievement Medal
Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters)
National Defense Service Medal 2nd Award
Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War On Terrorism Service Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal (2nd Award with M Device)
Army Service Ribbon
Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (2nd Award)
Wyoming National Guard Exceptional Achievement Ribbon
Wyoming National Guard Service Ribbon (with 15 year device)
Wyoming National Guard State Active Duty Ribbon
Wyoming National Guard Recruiting Ribbon

(current as of February 2011)